



THE THIN MAN WAS QUICK AS A FLASH TO GET TO BIG TOWN AND FIND THE GATEWAY TO HOLLYWOOD AT THE 12th ANNUAL FRIENDS OF OLD TIME RADIO CONVENTION.

Oct. 23, 24, 1987 • HOLIDAY INN NORTH • NEWARK INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, NJ

GUEST

SPECIAL CONVENTION GUESTS who have given definite or tentative acceptance of our invitations:

OUT-OF-TOWN GUESTS

MASON ADAMS - Big Town, Pepper Young's Family
JOHN ARCHER - The Shadow, Quick as a Flash
ERIC ARTHUR - (writer) The Shadow
CAROL DEIS - singer on various NBC shows in the 30's
RAY ERLBORN - (Sound effects artist) Al Pearce, Gateway to Hollywood (Announcer)
LAURETTE FILLBRANDT (HIPPLE) - Guiding Light
GLADYS HOLLAND - Ma Perkins, Dragnet
JOSEPH KAHN - (Pianist) Information Please
ANN LEDDY (ARCHER) - Chicago radio and tv
LES TREMAYNE - First Nighter Program
ROBERT VANDEVENTER - (Panelist) 20 Questions
VEOLA VONN (NELSON) - Eddie Cantor
BILL ZUCKERT - Mysterious Traveler, Official Detective

NEW LOCAL GUESTS

FRED COLLINS - (Announcer) X Minus I
ELAINE KENT (OPPENHEIM) - many soaps
MADELINE LEE - Henry Morgan, Amos & Andy
WILLIAM MURTOUGH - (Engineer) Lowell Thomas
JOAN SHEA - Aldrich Family, March of Time
BOB STEEL - (Director) Ellery Queen
ALISON STEELE - NYC radio personality

RETURNEES

GEORGE ANSBRO - (Announcer) Ethel & Albert
JACKSON BECK - Superman, Quick as a Flash
COURT BENSON - Big Sister, Tennessee Jed
WARD BYRON - (writer/director) Fitch Bandwagon
FRAN CARLON - Big Town
LON CLARK - Nick Carter
HENRY DENKER - (writer) Radio Reader's Digest
BOB DIXON - (Announcer) Life Can Be Beautiful
FRED FOY - (Announcer) The Lone Ranger
ED HERLIHY - (Announcer) Kraft
PAT HOSLEY (KIBBE) - Brighter Day
RAYMOND EDWARD JOHNSON - Inner Sanctum
EVIE JUSTER - Cavalcade of America
ANN LORING - (President AFTRA - NYC Chapter)
PEG LYNCH - Ethel and Albert
CHARLOTTE MANSON - Nick Carter

GRACE MATTHEWS - The Shadow
EDITH MEISER - (Writer) Sherlock Holmes
HAM O'HARA - (Sound effects) Inner Sanctum
DICK OSGOOD - WXYZ personality
KEN ROBERTS - (Announcer) The Shadow
(Announcer) Quick as a Flash
ADELE RONSON - Buck Rogers
TERRY ROSS - (Sound effects artist)
SIDNEY SLON - (Producer, director, writer)
EZRA STONE - Henry Aldrich
JANE WARD - Lorenzo Jones, Second Husband
DWIGHT WEIST - (Announcer & actor) The Shadow, Aldrich Family, Big Town
FLORENCE WILLIAMS (CHRISTIE) - Front Page Farrell
BETTY WRAGGE - Pepper Young's Family

This, our 12th Annual Convention, gives old-time radio fans another opportunity to meet fellow enthusiasts from around the U.S. and Canada. But most of all, the Convention honors those actors, actresses, and technicians who made the age of radio truly golden.

The cooperation of fans and radio personalities has resulted in exciting and interesting events through the years, including the reuniting of actual radio casts in live re-creations of Let's Pretend, The Shadow, Johnny Dollar, Mr. District Attorney, Counterspy, The Lone Ranger, The Aldrich Family, The Great Gildersleeve and many other fine shows. Unlike many other nostalgia conventions, guests and fans mingle continually, letting radio live again for these two days every year.

EVENTS

The following events are tentatively scheduled. Some may be added or dropped depending on additional guests or other changes. Time will be announced at the convention.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON:

Dealer's room: 12 noon - 6 pm
Video tapes: 12 noon - 6 pm
Use of computers in OTR (Alan Chapman)
Panel and trivia on Fibber McGee and Molly (Charles Stumpf)
Panel on Halls of Ivy (John Gassman)

Gateway to Hollywood - panel (with John Archer and others)

Gateway to Hollywood - auditions

(Winners of the Gateway competition will act with radio cast in Saturday night re-creation.)

FRIDAY NIGHT:

Cocktails: 5:30pm

Dinner: 7 pm

Re-creation (The Thin Man)

Meet the Guests

SATURDAY (Daytime):

Dealer's room: 9 am - 3 pm

Video tapes: 10 am - 4 pm

Re-creation Gateway to Hollywood (John Archer)

Science fiction panel (Gary Yoggy)

Raymond Edward Johnson presents

Detective panel (Anthony Tollin-Bill Nadel)

Women in Radio (Evie Juster-Adele Ronson)

Quiz Show Panel (Tom DeLong)

Re-creation Quick as a Flash (Ken Roberts)

SATURDAY NIGHT:

Cocktails: 5:30pm

Dinner: 7:00pm

Evening re-creation (Big Town)

Awards

GETTING THERE

Holiday Inn-North at Newark International Airport is very convenient.

By air: Free shuttle bus from airport. From LaGuardia or Kennedy, take limousine service or helicopter to Newark airport; then free shuttle.

By bus: Bus service from Manhattan's Port Authority to Newark Airport: then take shuttle bus.

By car: From NJ Turnpike take Exit 14; take second right marked "SERVICE ROAD" after toll booth. DO NOT TAKE FIRST RIGHT which is Rt 1 & 9. Take second right directly under bridge marked service road. Take one of the right-hand tolls.

From Garden State Parkway south of airport take Exit 140 to Route 22E to Routes 1 & 9 North, local. Follow the blue sign marked "Service Road"; follow to hotel.

From Newark International Airport exit airport and follow Route 1 & 9 North to "Service Road."

COST

Reserve your spot as soon as possible.
Prepaid tickets are held at the door.

Friday, October 23rd, daytime only, (up to 6 pm) \$7.00 per person.

Friday, October 23rd, daytime and evening including buffet dinner (12 noon - 11 pm) \$27.00 per person

Saturday, October 24th, daytime only (9 am - 6 pm) \$8.00 for adult; \$6.00 for child under 16 and senior citizen

Saturday, October 24th, daytime and evening including buffet dinner (9 am - 11 pm) \$36.00 for adult; \$33.00 for child under 16 and senior citizen

Complimentary coffee Friday and Saturday morning; Complimentary Danish Saturday morning; complimentary hors d'oeuvres both evenings during cocktail hour.

DEALER'S TABLES are \$25.00 each PLUS registration fees. There is no limit on number of tables for each dealer. 44 tables are available.

ADS: We will again have a special souvenir book with ads. Cost: Full-page \$75; 1/2-page \$50; 1/4-page \$30; 1/8-page \$20. Ads will be typeset if necessary. Send ad and appropriate amount to me by Sep. 1st.

HOTEL: \$55.00 for single, \$60.00 for double. Reserve rooms when you send in convention registration. Pay for rooms upon arrival. Rooms should be reserved by October 14th. Give details (names, nights, etc.) with registration (send no money for hotel).

REGISTRATION

Advance dinner reservations must be made. Reservations are limited. (Friday 200; Saturday 350). Make checks out to: FOTR (Friends of Old-time Radio)

Mail to:
Jay Hickerson, Box 4321, Hamden, CT 06514
(203) 248-2887.

Full tables (10) can be reserved in advance for Friday and Saturday night dinner.

For further information you may also contact Anthony Tollin (201) 575-6849

Committee and workshop leaders not mentioned already are: Jeanie and Don Aston, Bob Burchett, Bob Burnham, Barbara and Dave Davies, Jan and Dave Easter, Gary Kramer, Ron Lackmann, Lee Munsick, Mary and Don Ramlow, Joe Webb, Stu Weiss, Anna Jean Yoggy.